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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF GERD REIME ET AL.

FOR: DEVICE AND METHOD FOR OPTOELECTRONICALLY IDENTIFYING  
THE DISPLACEMENT AND/OR POSITION OF AN OBJECT

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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Dear Sir:

Before examining the present application, please amend the translated application  
as follows: